

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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THE MINISTER AND OTHERS

"For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." John 17:19

R. P. Johnson

In all that JESUS ever uttered whether sermon, song, or prayer, I consider that He was working the divinest and best of His heart and soul all thru the seventeenth chapter of St. John as He poured out His yearnings in prayer for others. There is in my estimation no passage that seems to give expression to His dedication of purpose and ministry as does this nineteenth verse. When He seems to stand on tiptoe in the consciousness of the divinity, looking down the streaming centuries to behold the multitude who would need help in every phase of life they could know, He declares, "FOR THEIR SAKES I SANCTIFY MYSELF (I DEDICATE MY LIFE)" for those poor millions, for those ignorant hosts, for those worn multitudes, for those who are weary and heavy laden, for those sorrowing, sobbing ones, for those who fight fierce temptation, for those who struggle to know a better life. Oh only He and the Father and the Holy Ghost know what He saw and whom He saw. His was a prayer for others. He was and is the chief Bishop of the souls of men. If the Chief Bishop can give Himself for others, what ought the bishop of a lower order to do with his life?

Men and women who have the call and hear the go ye, if ever there was a time when the cause of Christianity was espoused unselfishly, it is now. And if we say with our Master, "For their sakes I sanctify myself," in the saying of it we can rest assured that we have spoiled ease and comfort, for if we undertake to follow His steps, AND WE MUST, we will find the minister's program is not one of recreation, neither was it designed for comfort. It will subscribe your time and substance. It will enlist your sacrifice. It points to the cross. In the bearing of the cross rest your salvation and satisfaction.

When the U. S. A. called for men for the foreign war they were told frankly that men were wanted who would breast forward into flying steel and glittering bayonet. Suffering Belgium was held up before peaceful U. S. A. and millions of men (who were at ease and were prospering) said, The call of the suffering is bigger than the vast profits and comforts of the homeland.

Christianity now, as in John 17:19, is calling for ministers whose hearts are big enough, whose eyes are keen enough, whose consecration is deep enough, to feel the hurt and wrongs that mankind is suffering. Ministers, who will step boldly to the front and say, I am ready to face the fierce onslaughts of Satan, I am ready to suffer hardships, I am ready to face the flying missiles from the high powdered guns of the agnostic, the mustard gas of apostate preachers, the criticism and opposition and all who may stand in the way of the full Gospel? Oh God, help me to write this hour what I know is the passion of thine own heart and which should leap to a consuming flame in all of our souls.

Ministers of Christ, we cannot look with unconcern upon any type of need, neither can we pass sorrow and suffering by indifferently. Let us, too, measure devotion by the sufferings set before us. Surely the call is big enough. Certainly the deep sorrow and suffering of the heathens will be call enough to some of you who claim to be called of the Lord. And surely the willingness of some one to sanctify themselves, dedicate their lives, will be great enough for laymen to answer with their means.

The giving of self and the sacrifice of means is and always has been the mark that distinguishes Christianity from every other religion. The sacrifice of ease and comfort, the dedication of life and the subscribing of time, talent, and substance was and is found in every outstanding character that Christianity has produced, and he who preaches the full Gospel and espouses Christianity will find himself at once linked to a campaign of soul redemption even though such campaign calls for a sacrifice of his own life. It was the Spirit that said, "FOR THEIR SAKES," which transformed a Jew, a Pharisee of Pharisees, proud, clannish, jealous, into a Christian willing to suffer if in the suffering others might be served. Saul became Paul and the difference in the two men is exactly expressed in our text. And he who had been a mean persecutor and waster of the Church of God became its most humble, able, and devoted

servant. He who had despised other than a Jew cried, I AM DEBTOR, I AM DEBTOR, to both Jew and Greek or Gentile, I made myself servant unto all that I might gain some, 1 Cor. 9:19, I owe all men something, and went about the balance of his life endeavoring with tireless earnestness to discharge his obligation. I pray God that I too may be able to consecrate my life to that extent that my obligation to God and to man may be met.

CATCH THE VISION

Paul caught the vision that should he lose his life in service to others he would find life that was like unto His who said, "FOR THEIR SAKES I (DEDICATE) SANCTIFY MYSELF," and in finding this life he could say with John, "BELOVED, NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD, AND IT DOETH NOT YET APPEAR WHAT WE SHALL BE: BUT WE KNOW THAT WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; FOR WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS." In finding a life that was like His (Christ) Paul became a figure so large that only JESUS surpasses him in service and in influence upon others.

If you and I will catch step with this fine truth, we too will march straight into the hearts of men. Apostate churches will be revived; the world will feel the shock of a ministry filled with God, energized by the Holy Ghost, carrying about with them the dying of the Lord Jesus Christ. Yes, being crucified with Him, yet alive, not me but Christ in me, and the life that I now live I live by the faith of the Son of God. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Oh catch the vision, brother minister, there is, or I know of, no greater truth to challenge this strong day in which we live than "FOR THEIR SAKES I SANCTIFY MYSELF." I truly thank God for some who I hope are making the consecration. (Please Look On Page Three)

A Good Revival at St. Albans, W. Va.

On Feb. 16 Sister Focie Hawks and her father, L. D. Miller, both of Whitesville, W. Va. came to St. Albans and began prayer services from house to house. The interest grew so great and the crowds so large that they moved the services to the church. The interest kept growing until the church building wouldn't accommodate the people. This was really a God-given revival, not necessarily preached up, but prayed down from heaven. Brother Roy Mallory, one of our good workers at this place, did much of the preaching. Also Sister Johnson from Huntington, and others with their stringed instruments, rendered faithful service and fine music.

There were thirty-nine saved, including those who were reclaimed, a goodly number sanctified, nineteen baptized with the blessed Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, eight baptized in water by the writer and eleven added to the church. We are expecting about eighteen more to be baptized in water the third Sunday in April, and many more additions to the church. Some of these who obtained salvation had formerly been opposers of the Church of God and her teachings, but thank God, such love and unity prevailed and the great power of the Holy Ghost was so wonderfully manifested they were convinced that this is right and they are now enjoying the good, old time religion.

The meeting closed on Sunday night, March 15, with great interest. I ask all who read this to pray for this church and all these new converts. Pray that we may be able to feed them the good Word of God to keep them from backsliding.—Faithfully, O. W. Thomas, district pastor.

Wonderfully Healed

I praise God this morning because I'm wonderfully healed after suffering more than three months with nervous indigestion, low blood pressure, and palpitation of the heart. In one sense I feel that my affliction has been a blessing to me as it helped me to realize more what it means to be a Christian and really trust God. Pray for me that I'll be an overcomer and do His will at any cost. I am determined to trust Him. I am enjoying a well body right now.—Your sister in the Church of God, Lula Cole, 11 Frost St., Pelzer, S. C.

Be Not Weary In Well Doing

GLEN MORRISON, W. Va.—I am thanking and praising God because I am still in the straight and narrow way that leads from earth to Glory. I am so glad we have a friend who sticketh closer than a brother. Though we may get discouraged He is always ready to strengthen and cheer us on the way if we will just come boldly to the throne of grace for help as we are told to do.

We are living in a time when it really takes prayer to keep victory over the enemy. It seems that Satan is doing everything in every way he can to keep souls from being saved. He is doing all he can to those who are saved to cause them to faint by the way. "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Gal. 6:9. Saints, let us wake up and really call on our heavenly Father who is able to deliver us from everything that is besetting our pathway.

I thank the Lord for our pastor, Brother H. M. Bates. He is a real servant of God, one that is really capable of feeding the flock. We have organized a C. of G. Y. P. E. with about fifty members. We have a wonderful Sunday School. We have had a hard fight here at Glen Morrison, but praise the Lord, the Church of God is still at the battle's front here.

Saints everywhere, please pray for us here that we will stay in the center of God's will and this will be a soul saving station for God.

If Sister McKenzie whose membership is at Logan, W. Va. sees this, I would be glad to hear from her.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Lella Thompson, Box 48.

A Revival Long To Be Remembered

Jacksonville, Fla.—A wonderful revival has just come to a close here with Brother Earl Paulk preaching. We felt the revival spirit before the preacher arrived and good interest was manifested from the beginning.

Altho' the enemy tried hard to hinder with sickness, the Word went forth with power. Ten were saved, several sanctified, and six received the Holy Ghost.

March 1, Brother Paulk preached at the church and seven were added. Ten followed the Lord in water baptism that afternoon. We surely did enjoy the presence of the Lord and His good blessings. One sister received the Holy Ghost when prayed for healing.

It was a revival long to be remembered and only judgment will bring to light all that was accomplished.

We also have a good Y. P. E. with sixty members. We meet every Friday night and the meetings are becoming more spiritual. Last Friday night the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. We shouted, danced, and talked in tongues. One sister got reclaimed. The Y. P. E. does all the advertising for the church and is growing. We are looking for the Lord to do great things for us.—Hazel Harvey.

We appreciate all the efforts that are being put forth in collecting soap coupons for the purpose of securing single beds for the homes. Keep the good work moving.

USE YOUR TALENT

Now, my friends, if you won't sail, Don't do like Jonah, get swallowed by a whale, Don't build your house upon the sand, If you do you'll be like the one talented man. The other servant will get your lot So in the ground your talent will rot. Don't bury your talent but work with a smile The glory will come to you after while.

Do like Noah who built him an ark While our forefathers were yet in the dark. He built three stories, first, second, and third, Then he called in the animals and the little birds. Then Noah and the family went in and God shut the door The lightning flashed, and the thunders roared Then Noah heard the people's cry As he had never heard before.

You may be hard-hearted now and not bear the cross, But, my friends, there's coming a time you will suffer loss. The locust is coming, you had better not wait, Jesus said, Be sanctified, outside the gate. The scripture is recorded just over in John, He sanctified the people that they might be as one. We see that prayer was answered and when He went away He said, I will send the Comforter unto those who will obey.—Composed by (Miss) Addie Martin, Blacksburg, S. C.

He Will Care For His Church

PONCA CITY, Okla.—I praise our dear King this morning for all His goodness to the children of men. While the times of depression are here and everybody everywhere is crying hard times, it seems they little appreciate what God is doing for them. I feel His blood sweeping over my soul this morning. I feel that if His children will only hold out faithfully in a very few more battles it will all be over. Surely it isn't much farther to the city now. We have passed many mile posts and knew them to be for they were Bible described. The prophets foretold us of those things and many of them told us how to prepare for them to enable us to stand. Now those times are here. I believe that as God cared for Elisha He will care for His church, and as He walked with the Hebrew children in the fiery furnace, He will walk with His church thru these times of depression, and as He delivered Daniel from the lions den, He will deliver His church. Thank God for victory thru the blood of Jesus. I intend to go thru with Him. He is mine and I am His.

We have just closed a good meeting with the Church of God at Faxon, Okla. The Lord blessed in many ways in spite of all the unfavorable weather. Only a few found God but the church was wonderfully encouraged and helped. There are some fine people at Faxon. We enjoyed a nice time with them. Their pastor and wife, Bro. and Sister R. S. Collins, were so nice. Their hearts are in the church work there and the people love them. They need prayer. They and their good members stood by us in the revival.

My next meeting is in Lane, Okla. We need prayers as that is a new field. Pray for us in Oklahoma. May God bless our dear General Overseer and every officer in the great church of God.—Jesse A. Cook.

The Lord Showered Down Blessings

We thank the Lord for the good district meeting at Persimmon, Ga. March 7-8 and for our state overseer, Brother Culpepper, who was with us and for the wonderful messages he gave out. In the morning service He preached on the subject of sinning against the Holy Ghost using Heb. 6 as a lesson. The Lord blessed in giving out the Word. The weather was bad and the snow fell but the Lord showered down the blessings on the saints and we were all edified and built up and feel more determined to go thru. We thank God for our state overseer. We love him and was glad to have him with us. We thank the Lord for the good folks we had from the South and North Carolinas. We love them. We also thank the Lord for the good people at Clayton and Persimmon. They are as loyal, to the church as any we have ever met and the Lord is blessing us. We want all who read this to pray that the Lord will give us a good year here and that many souls may be brought into the kingdom.—Your humble servant in Christ, J. M. Donald, pastor.

SIN AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST

It is a Fearful Thing to Speak a Word Against the Holy Ghost Knowingly and Willingly

E. C. Clark

"It is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted of the good word of God, and of the powers of the world to come. If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame." Heb. 6:4-6.

The above verses are the grounds of countless arguments with respect to sin against the Holy Ghost. Therefore, let us look at them for a moment, that, if possible we may arrive at their true scriptural setting. The authorship of Hebrews has been in controversy, says Dr. Scofield, "from the earliest times;" however, it is most generally agreed that it is Pauline with respect to its point of view. It is very probable that the identity of its author was purposely obscured, knowing that the Jews would more readily resent it if they were to understand that its author might have been Paul. The trend of its volume points out the high priestly work of Christ Jesus from the Old Testament view and is itself almost entirely Jewish in its character. It is, therefore, most properly called Hebrews, and is itself "as bread cast upon the waters," "that by all means I may win some."

It is readily seen that the Jews, after the crucifixion, tried to patch up the rent veil of Judaism by trying to draw back the converts of Christianity unto it. Compare Acts 15:1-5 and Gal. 2:12-13 with Gal. 1:6-9 and 4:19.

God Is Blessing In Carlsbad, N. Mex.

I praise the dear Lord for what He is to me just now. He is my all and all. He saved me from a life of sin, sanctified me by His precious blood and baptized me with the sweet Holy Ghost. He is my healer. He has healed me many times. He came to my rescue at Weatherford one time, as many of you dear saints remember. Bless His dear name! I can't praise Him enough. He has been so good to me. He made me a fit subject to belong to the great Church of God, which He purchased with His own blood. I am glad this morning finds me with victory in my soul and a member of His body, the church of the living God.

A three weeks' revival has just closed here with good results. Several were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, ten were added to the church, five by transfer and five new members. Brother Drake is our state overseer, also our pastor. We thank God for him and his dear wife. We appreciate them. The revival closed with communion and feet washing. The Lord did surely bless. We are expecting great things of the Lord in Carlsbad in the near future. We had Brother Ross Hill and Sister Juanita Kimmel with us in this revival. They rendered good services with their good songs and testimonies. We thank the Lord for them.

Pray for us here, that we may do more for the Lord and His cause. As I look around I see the need of a closer walk with God. Oh, that we may have the power of God in our lives that we might be a blessing to those with whom we come in contact. Pray for this work and for me that God will heal me of bronchial trouble. Pray that I will live where God can use me for His glory.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. M. O. White.

Sunshine of God's Smile Flooded Our Souls

FRUITLAND, Md.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival at St. Luke church. God was surely in our midst in a wonderful way. It seems as if the windows of heaven were opened and the sunshine of God's smile just flooded our souls and a great portion of the latter rain fell upon the thirsty ground. Brother and Sister R. H. Walker of Eldorado, Md. were in charge, assisted by the pastor and writer. Bro. Walker is a real man of God and is not afraid to preach the whole Word rightly divided. He surely brought some stirring messages. Sinners were saved and the saints were encouraged. The church was edified. Anyone wishing to secure an evangelist on fire for God will do well to get in touch with Brother Walker.—Yours for lost souls, Mrs. W. E. Apel.

In fact the whole treatise of the epistle unto the Galatians is itself an explanation and contrast of law and grace, with an admonition in the fifth chapter to "stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free." The apostle was standing in doubt of the Galatians, desirous of changing his voice, and travelling in soul until, or that Christ might again be formed in them.

While "every priest standing daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins," this, with the opposition of the Jews intensified by a desire among some to return unto their brethren and kindred among the Jews, we may, therefore, readily see the necessity for such a book as the Hebrews and an explanation of its texts.

The verses of our texts are themselves a warning of depth unto such as were drawing back unto types and shadows, desirous of being under the law. The above situation was itself the fact which demanded the explanation of our text. Those who were once enlightened and who having tasted of the heavenly gift and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost were themselves in grave danger in the event they left off following Christ. The types and shadows unto which they were desirous to return were rendered void of all power, meaning, and wisdom after Christ unto whom they all pointed had come and had Himself become the sin-bearer of His people. After they had turned from enlightenment and from the taste of the heavenly gift and power of the Holy Ghost, they turned from the powers of the world to come and rejected the Holy Spirit by having quenched His fires of love and inspiration, thus, pinching His leadings and light out of their own hearts. It would be readily seen why it was or would be impossible to renew those having so done unto a state of repentance.

The Holy Spirit will not leave or forsake us until after He has striven and warned us, then after having been rejected, the individuals would have no more cooperation or aid in bringing them unto Christ, or in revealing him without whom all men are lost. The Holy Ghost is the agent that convicts of sin, it convicts of judgment, reproves righteousness. Thus when He had been driven out of the lives of those who had so done, they were left without an agency to bring them unto or aid them to Christ. Therefore, such action was a crucifixion of the Son of God afresh, leaving such without either sacrifice or Spirit to aid in their salvation.

Now, looking at verse six, "If they shall fall away," Gr. para-pito which means to fall beside, make a mistake or err, consequently those that fall by the way or any who miss the way are themselves mistaken and thus they err and are out of the way. Jesus Christ was himself the way, and the law which was incorporate in Judaism was itself prophetic rather than retrospective, hence those who turned back had missed the way, had erred, and was without help since the Holy Ghost had been rejected and Christ Himself crucified. Their pathway was lost in the darkness of the fall, their backs turned to the light; they had failed God. The explanation of verses seven and eight show that the Jews were themselves the recipients of many blessings of God; they had drunk "in the rain that cometh off upon them" and should have brought forth fruit unto God by whom they had been dressed out of unprofitableness of Judaism. But in their failure they had brought forth thorns and briars; the fruits of such automatically shut them out of the aid of and the protection of the Holy Spirit, leaving them without effective hope.

Now turning to chapter ten and verse twenty-six, we read, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins." This verse points out a willful and premeditated sin, which is itself always committed against light and knowledge; it is itself the manifestation of the will of self, as opposed to the light, the Word, and will of God. Such may grieve the Holy Spirit until it will depart from them. "He, that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy." Prov. 29:1.

Now that we have gone ahead to explain what we think to be the true situation of the text and warning, let (Continued on page three)

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We have received \$75.05 in sub-
scriptions the past week. Those who
sent four or more subscriptions are
as follows: P. F. Fritz, nine; Mrs.
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tin, seven; Fred Puckett, seven; Mrs.
Day Phillips, five; Miss Gertrude I. W.
four; Zeno C. Tharp, four; R. E.
Hamilton, four.

I have just returned from a conven-
tion in Mississippi which was more
than a success. I visited the last re-
maining place of Brother Heath. Sister
Heath has a nice marble slab over his
grave and I noticed that a fresh bou-
quet of flowers was placed there each
day. The work in Mississippi is mov-
ing along good.

I have visited in Louisiana, was
with them in the state convention at
Shepherd's Fold. God was there with
His presence and power. The work in
Louisiana is moving in that good way
that bids fair to be a great success.
Brother Simmons is putting forth every
effort for the work in that state.

The Bible School is making prepara-
tions for the closing exercises which
bid fair to be a great success.

We are still receiving many good re-
ports of revivals in most every state.
Thousands of people are in earnest
about their souls and are making
preparations for the soon coming of
Jesus.

A WORKER'S PRAYER
Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone;
As thou hast sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children, lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wandering and the wavering
feet.

O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna
sweet.

O strengthen me, that while I stand
Firm on the Rock and strong in
Thee,

I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

REAL FOOD TO OUR SOULS

McFEE, Jamaica.—I am glad this
morning that I can report victory over
sin and the evils of this world. I
truly thank the dear Lord for full and
free salvation which I received in 19-
29. I still have the dear Lord in view.
I am still trusting the Lord accord-
ing to James 5.

A convention was held here at our
church by Z. R. Thomas, overseer. The
convention began Feb. 25 and closed
the 27th. We surely enjoyed it very
much. Sinners all had gathered to lis-
ten to the blessed Word of God. We
praise God for that. Many wonderful
messages were given out. Much in-
struction was given by the overseer.
We realized it was real food to our
soul. When each church was represen-
ted by its pastor it brought to my mind
the last great day when each one will
have to stand before our King and
give an account of our work. May He
find us in our place. I want to be
found in my place and be ready to
meet the bridegroom when He comes.
John 3:29 says, "He that hath the
bride is the bridegroom: but the
friend of the bridegroom, which stand-
eth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly
because of the bridegroom's voice."

During the convention the devil was
on his job but the Lord surely did
bless. One was saved and one sancti-
fied and baptized with the Holy Ghost.
We had a wonderful time.

Please remember to pray for me for
I desire more of God's grace in my
soul. I thank the Lord for our dear

Notices & Specials

The convention for the Cleveland
Miss. District will convene at Stone-
field on Friday morning before the
fourth Sunday in April and will con-
tinue over Sunday. Workers are ex-
pected to be there on time with a good
report of the work in your charge to
be given on Saturday. G. G. Williams,
overseer, is expected to be on hand.—
P. F. Fritz, district overseer.

I praise the Lord for the way He is
blessing in Arkansas. Though we do
not have much help in this district
we are working and praying. We want
to announce that the Bauxite district
convention will convene at the Shady
Grove church near Quitman, Ark.
June 26-28. We want all who can to
attend for this is a new church in a
new field. We want all the preachers
from other districts who can attend
to write me at once. All pray for a
good meeting. We hope to have our
overseer with us.—W. I. Burford, dis-
trict overseer of the Bauxite district,
Rt. 1, Bauxite, Ark.

The Morristown district convention
will convene at Morristown, Tenn.
May 16, 17. We will have all day ser-
vices Sunday and dinner at the
church. We are expecting a good time
in the Lord. Brother A. Gann, our
state overseer will be with us. Every
minister, member, and Sunday School
in the district will be expected to be
present. We hope the adjoining dis-
tricts and everybody who can will feel
a hearty welcome and come and help
us enjoy a feast from heaven. Come
and bring a well filled basket if you
can. If you can't, come anyway.—H.
B. Helton, district overseer.

The Lord is still blessing at Maryville.
Tenn. Ten were saved in one service.
Pray for us.—Your brother, W. A.
Walker.

On Friday night before the first
Sunday in May the district meeting
will convene at Mt. Olive church,
Miss., eight miles south of Tompkins.
Everybody come and bring a full basket
and get a blessing from the Lord.
G. G. Williams, state overseer, will be
in charge.—G. W. Hall, district over-
seer.

SPECIAL NOTICE
I am at this time in a revival at
Sherman, Fla. God is blessing, inter-
est is good, attendance common. One
has received the Holy Ghost, several
have been blessed otherwise, and the
end is not yet in sight.

I am now in the evangelistic work,
ready for calls anywhere that God
leads. I play the violin, piano (or or-
gan) and guitar and preach the
"Church of God Bible Doctrine." Any
one desiring my service might write
to E. E. Coleman, Gen. Del., Okeechobee,
Fla. I am not careful as to where
I go, just as long as I am in God's
will. Pray for me and the work at
Sherman.—Your brother in the Mas-
ter's work, E. E. Coleman.

There will be a baptizing at Soddy
the second Sunday in April with sacra-
ment service that night. Our state
overseer, Brother A. Gann, will be
with us.—Yours in His service, C. M.
Newman, Soddy, Tenn.

There will be a district meeting at
Stonefield church, Mississippi, begin-
ning April 24 at 11:00 a. m. and con-
tinuing until the 26th. Everybody
come expecting a good time in the
Lord.—W. B. Simpson, clerk.

To whom it may concern: This is
to notify you that the Thorn district
convention will be at the Thorn
Church of God beginning May 8 and
continuing thru the 10th. The state
overseer will have charge. Come on
and all. We'll be looking for Brother
Fowler and as many as possibly can
come from his district, also Brother
Hall and members from his district,
and some preachers. The people at
Thorn welcome you. Let all of the
former pastors who can come and let
us enjoy a good time in the Lord.
—Humbly, A. V. Beaubie, district pastor,
Thorn, Miss.

We enjoyed a real good service at
Graves Chapel Saturday night and
Sunday, the 14th and 15th. We ob-
served the Lord's supper and had feet
washing on the evening of the 15th.
There was a good crowd to enjoy this
service. We had some good sermons
by T. C. Vales, traveling evangelist.
We also held conference.

We are to have home coming day
June 14 and have the Lord's Supper
and feet washing. All the members
are to report or be present on this
date. Let's all pray much for this dis-
trict and especially Graves Chapel. We
pastor, Elder N. Archer, who points
to us the blessed Word of truth. Pray
for him as the enemies are fighting
him but the Lord is still blessing him.
I want to be a worker for the Lord
and I believe if I receive more bless-
ings from Him I must do work for
Him. Please pray for me that I may
keep under the blood and that my life
may be a testimony to others. Remem-
ber to pray for the church in McFee
that she may still shine.—Your sister
in Christ Jesus, Mable M. Archer,
clerk.

need your prayers.—G. W. Ragin,
clerk, Rt. 1, Rives, Tenn.

This is to notify the Church of God
at Palmer, Texas that sister Grace
Williams has been appointed clerk
and treasurer. Her address is Palmer,
Texas, Box 105. Either be present or
notify her of your spiritual condition by
next conference.

To the Churches of God in the South
Plains district: Our district conven-
tion will convene at Lubbock April
17, 18, 19. Let all of the churches in
the district do their best to have a
good delegation present, especially
are the pastors, deacons, clerks, and
all preachers requested to be present.
We want all of the clerks to have their
churches of this district includes Lub-
bock, Slaton, McCamey, and Brown-
field. State overseer, S. J. Wood, in
charge. Pray for us.—G. E. Anthony,
district pastor.

The Orlando and Linden districts
will have their Sunday School conven-
tion April 19 at Ferndale, Fla. We will
have the day filled with good things.
Bring well filled baskets and we will
have dinner at the church. We are ex-
pecting each school in the district to
be represented and we want each
school to have a report for the last
three months of 1930 and the first
three months of 1931. The state super-
intendent will be with us and he will
have something special for us. Every
one welcome.—L. B. Hammond, Or-
lando district superintendent, Zell-
wood, Fla.

The Church of God at Asheville is
going to open fire against the devil
April 5. We are expecting by God's
help to win the victory. We have been
praying for sometime for God to send
a wonderful revival that many souls
might be saved, sanctified and filled
with the Holy Ghost. I see the need
of people getting ready to meet God.
I am looking for Jesus to come back
to catch away His waiting bride. I
want to be ready when He comes or
calls. O if people would just wake up
and see their lost condition before
God as He sees them, we would have
a worldwide revival. We want every
one to pray for us that God will bless
and give us a wonderful revival at
Asheville, N. C.—Your sister in Christ,
and one who loves the cause, Grace
Grant.—(Too late for last week's
paper.)

The Church of God at Wilcox, W. Va.
would like to have a letter from the
following members at once as to their
whereabouts and spiritual condition.
If they are not heard from at once,
they will be dropped from the church
roll. They are Dinnia Cox, Effie Peak,
Sarah Gordon, Agnes Goins, Minnie
Boone, Lola Gibson, C. H. Boone, Eva
Wyatt, Nora Hood, Myrtle Hood,
Worth Baldwin, Josh Rose, Bertha,
Marie Garry, Ellen Blankenship, Char-
lie Garry, Bertha Burke, Eliza Hilton,
Ola Hilton.—A. J. Cox, pastor, Wil-
cox, W. Va.

We surely can thank the dear Lord
for His blessings to us here in Bisbee,
Ariz. We have two calls to preach the
old time gospel. We have been going
and the two places look very good for
the Church of God. Pray for this place.
God is blessing here in the relief
work. Clothing is coming in. Any one
needing clothing state size and what
you need and we will forward it to
you. If you have any clothing you do
not need, send it to the Church of God
Relief Dept. We also send anointed
handkerchiefs for the sick. God bless
all.—Your brother in Christ, G. Stone-
lake, pastor, Gen. Del., Bisbee, Ariz.

The Harlan district convention will
convene at Lynch, Ky. on May 1, 2, 3.
We expect all the churches in this
district to be represented. We want all
the ministers, deacons and clerks to
be sure and attend this convention.
We invite all the adjoining districts
to meet with us. Our state overseer,
Brother J. C. Jernigan, will be with
us. We are expecting the approval of
the Lord on the services. Come one
and all.—Your humble servant, W. G.
Rembert, Evarts, Ky.

On the fourth Saturday and Sunday
in this month we will have our regular
meeting, and on Sunday, the 26th of
this month, we will have an all day
meeting and dinner on the ground.
Everybody is invited. Come on and
let's have a good time with the Lord.
Please pray for the church at Fondre.
—H. J. Andrews, clerk of Fondre
church.

We want to announce that God has
given us a building here in Chicago
for the Church of God. He has been
wonderfully blessing. Thank God He
still hears and answers prayer. On
the 10th of April we will have a quar-
terly meeting. Our district overseer
will be with us. At the same time we
expect to move our revival to the new
place as there has been a revival
spirit here all winter. To the Church
of God people in Chicago and else-
where, you are invited to take part in
this revival. We hope to have Brother
Joplin, district overseer, to do the
preaching for at least awhile.

If Brother Forest Ash reads this,
please write the clerk of the Church

of God in Chicago at once. Following
Brother Joplin we expect to have
Brother W. H. Martin to take charge
of the revival. I believe we have as
increasing a Sunday School as I have
ever seen. The power of God is mani-
fested every Sunday.—Sincerely on-
who loves the Lord, Mrs. Amelia Shu-
maker, evangelist, 21 So. Whipple St.,
phone Nevada 5813, Chicago, Ill.

REQUESTS

I ask the saints everywhere to pray
a prayer of faith for my husband's
healing. He is almost deaf and has
had the bloody piles for thirty-five
years. Pray for my two youngest boys
to get strong again in the Lord. Pray
for my loved ones to be saved. I praise
the Lord for His love to me and for
salvation. I am glad I learned to trust
the Lord with my soul and body. I
had the flu and bladder trouble and
the Lord healed me. I had an enlarg-
ed joint in my neck and it has gone
down. It is normal now and I give God
all the praise.—Mindy Carter, Evening
Shade, Ark.

I request a special prayer for my
wife. She has T. B. and is almost dead,
it seems. She hasn't walked for five
weeks. She is trusting God for her
healing. Please pray for her at once
that the Lord will heal her if it be
His will, if not, pray that He will re-
lieve her of all pain. Praise the Lord.
Bethel Cantrell, Rt. 7, Box 1, Smith-
ville, Tenn.

Please pray for my mother's eyes to
be healed and for my little niece to be
healed of eczema and bronchial asth-
ma.—A sister in Christ, Maggie Jen-
nings, Monroe, Va.

I thank the Lord for salvation and
for His healing power. I thank Him
for healing my limb when I fell and
hurt it. I had a bad attack of appen-
dicitis and the Lord has touched me.
Pray that He will completely heal my
body. Pray for my little niece. She has
rheumatism and has no encourage-
ment at all. Pray for my lost brothers
to come this way for they need God.
—Mrs. Hattie Loper, Ferndale, Fla.

Saints, please pray for the Lord to
heal me if it is His will. I am afflic-
ted in body and need your prayers.
Pray for God to open a way for me
to be in service. Pray for my husband
and children to be saved.—A sister in
Christ, Mrs. J. M. Bailey, Rt. 2, Box
98, Drew, Miss.

Dear saints, pray for me. I have a
cancer on my face. It went away
twice but has come back. I am trust-
ing in God to heal me, not man. Pray
for me to do what the Lord would
have me do. I have many trials and
temptations here but want to go to
heaven when this life is over. I feel
like the Lord will heal me. I will tell
it everywhere I go. I am not ashamed
of what the Lord can do for I know
He has all power.—Your sister, Mrs.
Mary Brown, Derby, Ill.

Please pray for my husband's body
to be healed. He is a member of the
Church of God. Pray that I will get
the Holy Ghost and be a true blue
Church of God worker.—Your sister
in Christ Jesus, Mrs. Tullie W. Hen-
drix, Rocky Ford, Ga.

I praise God this morning for the
sweet Holy Ghost which I have had
over a year. I can't go to church as I
am almost down with rheumatism.
Please pray for me to be healed. I
surely believe in prayer.—Your sister
in Christ, Jennie Wilcox, Wildwood,
Ga.

I praise the Lord for His healing
power. We are praying for my brot-
er to be healed of the flu and fever. The
Lord has touched his body, he is feel-
ing better this morning, but we want
every Church of God saint to pray that
he will be completely healed and re-
ceive the Holy Ghost. Also pray for
my family and for my brother in Ar-
kansas to be touched by God's power.
We are having good services here.
Pray that my companion and I will re-
ceive the Holy Ghost.—A child of God,
Mrs. Joe T. Sanderson, Rt. 2, Eden,
Miss.

I praise the Lord for saving me and
for healing me of neuralgia. I want all
the saints to pray for me to receive
my hearing. Sometimes I can hear
well for a few minutes but I can't
hear all the time. I have been this
way all my life.—T. C. Jennings, Mon-
roe, Va.

I am praising the Lord for His won-
derful power. Yesterday we were called
to pray for a sister who had can-
cer of the stomach and the doctors
had given her up. When she was pray-
ed for she came out of bed with the
power of God on her. Thank God!
She is very weak and thin and we ask
your prayers that God will make her
strong.—Mrs. Phillips, Box 85, Mel-
rose, N. Mex.

Please pray for me as I am in bad
health. I have nine boys and none of
them are saved. I also have one girl.
My husband is a sinner. Pray for me
and my family. I mean to live closer
to the Lord.—Mrs. S. M. Norris, Rt. 1,
Winfield, Ala.

Dear saints, please pray for Maggie
Manis. She hasn't walked in four
years. I am burdened for her. I be-
lieve she can be healed.—Earl

Roberts, Dalton, Ga.

I have spells with my heart and I
want a special prayer prayed for me
to get better. My right arm hurts.
Pray that I will be completely healed.
Pray for a friend of mine who has
been in bed over a year.—A sister in
Christ, Mrs. Nellie Jones, Rt. 3, Box
175, Gadsden, Ala.

Dear saints everywhere, I request
your prayers for my entire healing. I
have kidney trouble and rheumatism.
Two precious sisters prayed for me
and the terrible pain left instantly but
I want to be perfectly well once more.
I suffered so with my back and feet.
Oh, His grace is all we need if we
only stay humble. I'm not afraid to
trust Him all the way. I request pray-
er for my son to be saved from sin,
also other loved ones.—Your sister
under the blood, Mrs. Florence Sturm,
Statesboro, Ga.

I praise my blessed Savior for salva-
tion. I have been serving the Lord ever
since I was thirteen years old. My sister
received the Holy Ghost when she
was eleven but I ask you to pray that
she will get more victory. Also pray
for my healing. I suffer so much with
headache. I have had it ever since I
was a baby. I know God is able to de-
liver. My mother has had the flu and
hasn't gained her strength, she also
suffers untold misery with her head.
She has a severe pain in her kidneys,
her whole body is afflicted. She does
not seem to want anything to eat.
She suffered yesterday until she was
in agony. Pray and hold on to God
until we get healed.—A sister under
the blood, Miss Lucile Reeves, Box
1184, Rt. 2, Truman, Ark.

I request special prayer for my sis-
ter-in-law. She has been sick for two
months. Also pray for me to be healed
of a stomach trouble. I know God can
heal.—Bertha Ricketts, Booneville,
Miss. Rt. 7.

Dear saints, I have rheumatism so
bad I can hardly walk, my limbs swell
so and hurt. Please pray for me. I
praise the Lord for what He is to me.
I know He can heal. He has healed
me for eleven years.—M. L. Gilbreath,
Dodd City, Texas.

Please pray for my three girls.
They all have the Holy Ghost and
trust the Lord for their healing. They
are all in bad health. May God put
his request on some one's heart for I
am worried about them.—Mrs. Ida
Snyder Price, Eldorado, Ill.

Don't forget to pray for the loved
ones who send request for prayer that
they might be saved or brought back
home. One precious sister writes that
she and her husband both have had
salvation but have backslidden and
she is having a very hard time and
needs special prayer. She has children
that she wants to bring up in the
right way and she wants to get back
to the Lord and be restored to the
Church, both she and her husband. I
know you would not fail to pray for

Only Let Me Walk With Him

TAMPA, Fla. — I praise the Lord
for His great healing power this morn-
ing. I have been praying for a closer
walk with Him and I really meant it.
Every time I would ask Him for a
closer walk with Him I would have a
great trial. The first one was my little
boy hurt his foot with a pitchfork. In
a few days he came home with his foot
all inflamed and swollen and paining
him. He cried almost all night and the
next day. It got worse but we kept
praying. I telephoned one of the sis-
ters to request prayer at the sisters'
prayer meeting. They prayed and God
gave the victory. After the anxious
hours were passed Satan slipped up
and said to me, if I were you I would
not ask Him for a closer walk with
Him because you will just get more
trouble and have to suffer more. But
my heart still cried out for a closer
walk.

Mother was taken seriously sick.
Then followed ten long anxious days
and nights but God let her live. I
praise Him. Still my heart hungers
for more of God.

Our only little girl took sick with
cold and fever and the Lord healed
her. The next week I was taken
seriously sick with high fever and for
three days and nights I suffered
agonies. The Lord came down with
glory and power and instantly healed
me. I feel closer to Him than I was.

It is wonderful to think the King of
Glory would come into our little hun-
dle home and heal and bless so won-
derfully. He has been with us thru so
many trials. Last week He healed our
baby boy of cholera morbus. We
praise Him for His mercy and the fel-
lowship of the saints. The desire of
my heart is still for a closer walk with
Him. I don't mind to toil and suffer,
only let me walk with Him. I know
He is the same wonder working Jesus
and I want to see Him some day and
have Him smile on me. I desire the
prayers of everyone.— Eunice Con-
naster, 3303 25th Ave.

Still Trusting The Lord

I am still saved and sanctified. I am
glad I have found the right way. I
feel good in my soul. I want to go all
the way with the Lord. I haven't been
going to meeting here much. We have
not a Church of God here but we surely
have had some good prayer meet-
ings. I want to see the lost souls get
saved. Jesus said, Come unto me all
ye that labor and are heavy laden and
I will give you rest. I want all who
see this to pray for me to stand true
and do His blessed will.—Your sister
under the precious blood, Mrs. Winnie
Morris, Rt. 2, Fitzgerald, Ga.

her if you could read her letter. The
Lord knows all about her condition so
let's hold her up in our prayers.

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THE MINISTER AND OTHERS

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tion and may God help the rest of us to endorse it.

I AM DEBTOR TO THE WEAK
If we have strength, and there is no excuse for a minister being weak, we "CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHICH STRENGTHENETH" us. Phil. 4:13. We are in debt to the weak, to impart that strength to others, or to use that strength in helping the weak to stay on their feet, in assisting them over the difficulties that daily confront them or those who arise over night. The minister who feels himself strong and takes advantage of the pulpit to magnify his strength, his ability to overcome temptation, his power to resist the devil, and the same time fails to use that strength, power, or ability for the blessing and uplift of the weak will die and go to meet God with his obligation staring him in the face and his debt to the weak unpaid. "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification. For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, the reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me." Rom. 15:1-3. "Himself took our infirmities." Matt. 8:17. We see that Jesus Himself took our weaknesses and imparted His strength. That is what He meant when He said, "That ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you." So in the giving of the Holy Ghost He meant for them to understand that He was imparting His strength to them. Christ, being the strong One, dedicated that strength to the weak. Ministers who are strong must, if they be like Him, dedicate their strength to those who are weaker.

DEBTOR TO THE UNLEARNED
Christ, being wisdom and in Him was embodied all of the wisdom of God, said, "For their sakes I sanctify, set apart to the blessing and enlightenment of those whose minds have been blinded by the God of this world. So with the minister who has been made wise, he owes that wisdom to his unfortunate brother. To use his wisdom in belittling the ignorant is to squander opportunity, misuse his time, abuse his privilege. In so doing he departs from Christ, grieves the Spirit, offends God, and when he is thru with His disciples his listeners will leave his presence feeling they have been abused rather than blessed. If you are wise to the tricks of Satan you should humbly use that wisdom in helping others to stay out of Satan's snares.

With faith, love, and joy you are indebted to those who are not so faithful, to those who are not so lovely, those who have not joy. Yes, every good quality should and must be dedicated to others. The more influence you have the more you owe to others. The minister who uses his good influence for his own personal advantage or benefit can never live in the seventeenth chapter of St. John. **SANCTIFY THAT INFLUENCE TO THE BLESSING OF OTHERS. OFFICIAL POWER AND AUTHORITY** carries with the same authority or power a tremendous liability. While some, if not many, have and may yet consider their official appointment a great asset and seek to use their power in building a defense for themselves, they may possibly take advantage of their official standing and use it as a means of building up a financial rating, for he who has money to his credit has men waiting his call.

But my dear minister, if the time ever comes that the church appoints you to some official position and should you be selected as a leader, mark my words and consider well what I say. That position, that place of trust, that leadership, carries with it more liability than asset. When some one asks you to take care of a certain amount of money you feel that "I have a liability, I am responsible. If anything should happen I would have to bear the blame. I dare not use any of this money only as the owners authorize." So with the man or woman whom the church has placed in some responsible position. You are responsible for every bit of reproach that comes to that office. If all the ministers and officials of the Church of God had lived in John 17:19 what a time we would have had by this time. We would have circled the globe, gone into every dark nook and corner of this world, and would have been ready to hear the sweet "well done, good and faithful servants."

Paul, the highest yet the humblest minister of the Church of God, went to Rome with this message, I am debtor, I am debtor, and in saying this of himself he said it of every other follower of Christ. He was a hated and a despised Jew; nevertheless, he delivered his message. He walked thru suffering, shipwreck and storm, hunger and nakedness, jails and blood, but at every turn of the road he had a message. Listen, Rome, you are much used to the world bringing her gifts of silver and gold, her pearls and diamonds, your hard beaten roads have been often crowded with trains of treasure coming to your extravagant call; I have come to say a new thing to you. Thus far you have looked upon life as consisting of the treasures that you receive. Your ushers are only instructed to deposit the gold that flows into thy gates. But I have come to you as a stranger. I may not be welcomed, but my mission is to declare heaven's fundamentals to you.

SIN AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST

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us again look at the GENTILE GROUND which in some sense varies from the exact Jewish copy and situation itself. The Gentiles might commit premeditated and willful sin by rejecting the Holy Ghost after they had received Him but they certainly did not commit such in the same manner and way as the Jews did.

Then again there is a difference between the ordinary backslider in some sense and those unto whom we believe the texts at issue were written. Many backsliders are themselves objects of pity. Take for instance some one who is hindered from serving God by a hard and ill-tempered companion. It may be either man or wife who may take opposition unto a companion and cause them to backslide. Where some sins are willful and premeditated, others are under great trial and tests overcome by Satan and his agents. Such are especially to be pitied and are objects of God's love and mercy. The Holy Spirit visits them oftentimes and invites them back unto Christ, and they themselves long to return unto Him. The latter, though they may have been overcome and committed sin, may by their confession and coming back unto Christ be renewed. Instead of some, who have been overcome when trying to go on with God, finding it impossible to be renewed to repentance, they are constantly softened and tendered by the visitation of the Holy Ghost inviting them to return unto God.

The falling away in verse six are those having fallen out of the way, and are, therefore, out. But backsliders are not out of the way in the same sense, they have slipped back. Why do men backslide or slip back? Because something gives away or was not itself properly sound and firm to hold them. God said of Israel, "For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer," which of course backslides on an ill side because the foundation is not firm. What men and women should do instead of being misled by those who insist after you have sinned, having received the Holy Ghost that you have sinned against the Holy Ghost itself, is to return unto God. And as He not said, I will return unto you?

I am married unto the backslider is itself an example of a loving husband, who wants his lover to return. God has said, I am married unto you, O backsliding children. Jer. 3:14 he is, therefore, the husband of the backsliders, who will, if they will but return; perform the rights of the covenant or marriage vows unto His children.

We must certainly see a difference between the man or woman who sins willfully and thus despises the offered love and mercy of God. "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy unto two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, and unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" Heb. 10:28, 29. It is plain that it is despite on the part of the willful sinner or sinning saint. Such count the blood unholy, trodding it under foot, doing despite unto the Spirit of grace. Such sin may well be termed "sin against the Holy Ghost."

Now the difference in the class that despise and despite and those who long for the joys once possessed is: To the former God has said, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay." To the latter He has said, "Call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions. Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense or reward." V. 33, 35.

Then following the warning of the erring saints, having trampled the precious blood under foot and having done despite unto the Spirit of grace, is that blessed faith chapter which summons all its countless number of crowned victors. These are called "a cloud of witnesses," of course, to strengthen the faith of the weak and erring ones. Then again follows a warning to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience." You—strength, your wealth, is your debt. You have that which the suffering, sorrowing, sobbing need. You owe thy fellowman a lift. It is time that you are despising to starving childhood outside thy gates. High time it is for thee to call in the poor, the lame, the blind, and give them a feast. Oh yes, rich Rome, God will not hold thee guiltless for the man who died at thy gates last night for the lack of food and for the want of shelter.

Oh minister of Christ, as sure as the hand of God is upon you it is not there to make you a collector, and the power or authority that God has given is to endow you with obligation. Power is debt. Every power is a liability (hard lesson that to learn) if we are quick to learn, apt to rule, endowed with any commanding talent. It seems so easy to give it a selfish coinage. The minister who uses his ministry or power for selfish purposes is a wrecker of power and a prostitute of endowment. And he who squanders entrusted strength shall reap the reward of an outraged people, the curse of an offended God and the remorse of guilty conscience. A minister's power or greatness has not taken safe root until it has been safely planted and firmly set in John 17:19.

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Pictures and arrangements are being made so our combination catalog annual, the first one to be published by the B. T. S., will be ready for the press within a few days.

Our committee arranged to present the feature play Thursday, the 9th, the first night of the two-night program. The Biblical drama and graduation exercises were given the night of the 10th.

HAPPENINGS IN THE B. T. S.

Friday was an eventful day in the B. T. S. At an early hour as we assembled in the lobby for prayer the Lord met with us and each felt a good spirit of prayer. Throughout the day, while writing exams, the Lord's presence

was near. We gathered as usual for the regular afternoon preaching services, but we found that only one preacher had his Bible ready, and that was Brother Walker. After a few good songs and prayer Sister Ora Mae Ruff was called upon to conduct a testimony service. Many tears sprang to our eyes as the vivid fact presented itself that this was the last Friday of this term that we would meet in the schoolroom for a service of this kind. Brother Walker spoke to us of the necessity to hold fast that which we have. It greatly encouraged us to press the battle in Jesus' name.

The entire student body attended the singing convention held near North Chattanooga Sunday, April 5.

One of the questions asked the Mission Class was "Since your studies of the mission work of the world what would you do if you were to feel the call of this great work?" Was not this a startling question to place before the graduates? We are sure some good answer will be the result and probably a new thought to some. Let us hope that it will stir us to the greater realization of the necessity of more laborers in this great harvest field.—Thelma Brannin, reporter.

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Interesting Easter Program at Rome, Ga.

By invitation of the pastor, C. L. Harris, a truckload of orphanage children, Brother L. C. Chambers, one of the matrons, and the undersigned had the privilege of enjoying a very interesting program rendered by the Sunday School at Rome, Ga. We thought it one of the best programs we had ever attended. It was spiritual and edifying in every respect. The program consisted of recitations and songs. It was very impressive and made some of us cry, while some could not contain themselves and had to shout some.

After the Sunday School at Rome rendered their program, the orphan children also gave an interesting program which brought tears to the eyes of many of those who were present. At the close of this program an offering was taken for the orphanage work which amounted to \$10.31.

Following this a nice dinner was spread on the outside of the building, which was enjoyed by all. We had plenty to eat, and some was taken back home.

Representatives were present from Summerville, Lafayette, Cedar Town, and Lindale, Ga.

After lunch we gathered in the house again and were entertained by the Lafayette string band, who played and sang some interesting songs. Then a message was brought by one of the ministers present on "The Resurrection of Christ."

The memory of this occasion will linger in the minds of us all. I am sure we will never forget the good time we had on Easter Sunday at the Church of God at Rome, Ga.—E. J. Boehmer.

28 Saved, 24 Sanctified, 25 Received Holy Ghost

We have just closed a four and a half weeks' revival, the greatest and most wonderful revival that has been at Waycross since the building of our tabernacle here. Brother F. A. Hubbell, our state evangelist, was in charge. The Lord surely did bless him in preaching the Word with power and demonstration of the Spirit. Some thought Brother Hubbell preached too hard but that was what we needed. He preached direct from the Word of God and it was good for our souls. The saints are all encouraged and enthused to hold on for we feel it will be just a few more days till Jesus comes and we want to be ready to meet him in the air.

The devil howled and stretched a tent one block from us and also started another revival two blocks the other way from us, but Brother Hubbell did not get a chance to preach as the Holy Ghost took charge and the fire fell. There are twenty-eight Acts but we only got to the second and the dancing that took place in the second was heaven to us. We also want to thank the dear Lord for Sister Hubbell who led us out each day at ten o'clock in special prayer services. We certainly do appreciate her in co-working and prayer leading. The revival closed with communion and feet washing and the Lord blessed graciously.

We surely thank Him for the twenty-eight saved, twenty-four sanctified, twenty-five filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-one baptized in water, and twenty-one added to the Church of the

race that is set before us," for in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

The Lord Is Blessing In California

LONG BEACH, Calif.—I truly praise God for this little messenger which brings food to my soul every Monday morning. Surely "my cup runneth over with joy" when I read the testimonies of God's dear children from far and near and know they are fighting a "good fight" and standing on the whole word of God.

I praise God for the way He is blessing here in California. The farther west one goes the more they seem to love and appreciate the dear old Church of God and the stand she has taken for the "whole, full Gospel."

A carload of us went to Baldwin Park. Truly the Lord met with us. The house was filled and as Brother Jonah, the colored brother from Los Angeles, brought the message under the anointing of the Holy Ghost the glory of the Lord came down in our midst in a marvelous way.

I praise the Lord for the faithful saints at that place for they are a praying people and have a good pastor. Brother C. W. Cleland, assisted by his good wife and other coworkers, is leading the sheep out into green pastures where they are being fed. We are looking for things to pick up and come to the front in California this year in spite of the old devil. He does not like the Church of God as it is too clean for him but I am glad for a clean thing. The cleaner the better, for if we are not clean down here I am afraid the pearly gates will never swing open to receive us in Glory.

We surely need more zeal and backbone than ever before in order to go forth declaring to a lost world that Jesus can save and sanctify and baptize with the Holy Ghost. Many of the folks in the West testify of being saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost, but I found that the Lord had to sanctify me and clean me up before the Holy Ghost came in to take charge. I praise God because I have the same experience tonight, altho' it has been about eleven years since I received the blessing.

I also thank God for the faithful workers at Long Beach. We are praying for a great revival. We would be glad if every reader would join us in prayer. We have street meeting each Sunday evening on the corner of one of the downtown streets. We have some fine young folks as well as the old who are not ashamed to stand out on the street corners and testify for Jesus for they have been redeemed from a life of sin and want to tell it to the whole wide world. Brother G. W. Dunbar makes music on his folding organ on these occasions, assisted by Haskel Williams with his trumpet, Brother Hilton Vail with his cornet, and an accompaniment of other music, vocal and instrumental, rendered by willing workers too numerous to mention. We are looking for great things in spite of the financial conditions.

Pray for me, dear ones, that I will be an humble servant of the Lord so I can help bring in lost sheep to the fold. I want to bear my cross without murmuring or grumbling so I may lay it down at Jesus' feet on that great day and exchange it for a robe and a crown.

Let's everyone join hands and with living God. Hallelujah! Brother and Sister Hubbell leave here for Almo to pitch their gospel tent for their next revival and our prayer is that our God will give them many precious souls for their hire and that they may return here soon.—R. B. Herrin, clerk, 1606 Prescott St., Waycross, Ga.

It Pays To Obey God

PORT ARTHUR, Tex.—I have thought for sometime I would write a few words of praise to the Evangel, telling of the wonderful work the Lord has done for us in the past year. I came here fifteen months ago. I met one Church of God saint. Later we met another saint who was all for the Church of God. We three met several times in one of the ladies' homes for prayer for God to give us a church here that the Word might go forth in this town in its fullness.

In the latter part of September we began a sisters' prayer meeting every Tuesday from ten o'clock until three-thirty o'clock and also fasted the first two meals that day. The Lord surely would bless us. In December we met a church of God saint who had been here since June. It pays to take the Evangel and ask if there are any saints in the town you move to so you can get in touch with them.

If we'll hold up Jesus we'll be known. This saint went to an Assembly of God service and testified to sanctification. As soon as service was over I went to her and asked her what church she belonged to, for I knew sanctification was not preached in the holiness churches that I had heard of in this town. There was one more to join us.

In December the Lord put it on my heart to begin a Church of God Sunday School. I got literature and began the first Sunday in January. In February Brother Wood, our State Overseer, and wife came and got us and the saints at Orange together and set a Church of God in order Feb. 23 with seven members. All have the Holy Ghost and a desire to see the work rise and shine. We are not so many in number but the Word says if God be for you who can be against you.

Some people remarked that they did not believe God told me to begin a Sunday School and that it would not last but, dear readers, if you know of a truth God says do a thing you have better do it no matter what anyone says. It will pay to obey God. God, help us to move up in wisdom, knowledge, grace and understanding and be strong, steadfast, and unmovable in God's work.

In our Sunday School we give the first and second Sundays' offering to the Sunday School, the third Sunday's to mission, and the fourth and fifth Sundays' to the orphanage, also our birthday offerings go to the orphans. We also raise our quota on tithes above this Sunday School offering. In fact, we just believe God's Word and my desire is that I will obey it at all times, not in order to get the blessings alone but because I really like to and enjoy doing so because Jesus has done so much for me and I so little for Him. I know it is hard times but it will be worse with us who know God if we don't pay tithes and give offerings than if we'll deny ourselves sometimes and pay God.

I surely hate to read our mission report like the one that came out in January. I believe we all can tithe if we will. Sometimes husband or wife will very plainly tell us no we can't but my Bible says in Mark 11:24 that when you desire a thing and pray, believe you'll receive them and you shall have them. I've found it true. God will soften their hearts and open a way for you to pay tithes on what is a wife's part. Of course the husband may not let you tithe the crop but there are chickens, eggs, and all the canning and garden products. If husband won't let you tithe your eggs, now is the time to put him on God's altar for God has not forgotten His children and He will open a way for us to have something for His cause. Above all don't get in debt to God. I bought that experience once and don't want to owe God any more.

Brother and Sister James from Orange are with us every Sunday. I surely feel thankful to the Lord for what He has done in this town and feel that those who I've asked to pray for this town surely prayed. We desire your prayers for a revival in Beaumont, Orange, and Port Arthur. I'm so thankful for the way God has worked since I came to Texas. We desire you to pray for God to give us a building to worship in very soon.

Remember us in your prayers that we will be clay while our Lord is the potter, and that we will also be like the three hundred in Gideon's army, pure, faithful, and true, so the doctrine of Jesus Christ may go to the ears of the lost people of this town and those who only know the Lord in part. My desire is to do my part to see the Church of God rise and shine this year as never before because there is not another denomination giving out the pure Word of God unadulterated like the Church of God. I learned while seeking for the Holy Ghost that God would a satisfying portion for all who would contend until it came. I believe it is good to really possess the satisfying portion if we desire to be anything worth while for Jesus and expect to really make heaven our home. Pray for my family and the work here.—Mrs. C. L. Waldron, 1711 E. 14th St.

shoulder to shoulder sing, "I am determined to hold out to the end, Jesus is with me, on Him I can depend;

And I know I have salvation for I feel it in my soul, I am determined to hold out to the end."

—Your sister under the blood, Nettie (Mrs. J. H.) Ingram.

ELDORADO MEETING A SUCCESS

ELDORADO, Ill.—We began a revival at the Church of God at this place the last week in January with our pastor, J. P. Hughes, in charge. For the first four weeks we had services twice a day. To say that it is marvelous the way God has worked would be putting it mild. The meeting began with victory.

Brother Hughes had previously given a series of lectures on "The Revelation of Jesus Christ." He showed that we are living in the last days and that perilous times are upon us. He made it plain that according to prophecy and the signs of the times the second coming of Jesus is at hand. He also showed what awful things will come upon the world after the church is caught up in the rapture and warned people to get ready to meet Jesus in the air. The Holy Ghost set His approval on the lectures in such a manner that it brought great conviction upon the people.

When the revival started this conviction was still prevalent so people began to fall in the altar and cry out for mercy. The saints got under the burden for souls until three or four would be stretched out under the power of God in one service. The large building is full most every night; and to see how eager the crowd is to catch every word while Brother Hughes preaches with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven, makes us know the Word of God is reaching them. Brother Hughes is reaching people who have never shown any interest in the Church of God. They are coming from the Methodist, Baptist, and Christian churches and receiving the Holy Ghost for we hear them speak with tongues. The town is stirred from center to circumference and people who opposed the Church of God are now getting filled with the Holy Ghost.

One man, a Christian who was a prominent member of the Methodist church and thought he was baptized with the Holy Ghost when he was sanctified, came to hear Brother Hughes preach and was convinced by the Word of God. He now has the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues and is a member of the Church of God.

A man seventy-two years old was saved and is seeking sanctification. He says he never made a start before. A young woman was saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and began to pray for her family. Now her husband, mother, three sisters, and one sister-in-law are all members of the Church of God.

At this writing ninety-six have been converted, seventy-three sanctified, fifty-three filled with the Holy Ghost, and forty-seven have been added to the church and there will be others to come in.

A marvelous thing about the meeting is that those who have prayed thru to victory are all men and women except three or four. Most of them are fathers and mothers. On Sunday night, Feb. 22, forty-one were added to the church, all of them being adults except one boy about fourteen years of age. The line reached across the church and almost halfway down each aisle. In giving them the right hand of fellowship we had to go out one door and in at the other the house was so crowded. Six have been added since then.

Last night the large altar which almost occupied the front of the building was filled with anxious seekers. A goodly number prayed thru to victory. We cannot tell when the end of the revival will come. It may last until Jesus comes. Thank God, we are looking for His soon coming and I don't know of a place I had rather go from to meet Him than a good revival.

I received the Holy Ghost about a year ago in a meeting conducted by our former pastor, Brother J. C. Jerigan. I saw something come to me that I believe was the Holy Spirit. It looked like a small cloud of mist or fine rain about twelve inches from my face. Something kept Him from coming in for sometime but when He did come in I looked and the cloud was gone. Such an holy awe came over me that I felt that I was in the very presence of God. I didn't want to make any noise myself so I just lay and listened to the Holy Ghost talk. He put so much glory in my soul that I have never got over it and I am still praising God.—Your brother in Christ, W. W. Chamberlain, clerk.

Six Added To The Church

We have just closed a wonderful meeting at the Church of God at Marietta, Ga. The Lord surely did bless. Seventeen were saved, twelve sanctified, ten received the Holy Ghost, six were added to the church and all the saints were set on fire for the Lord. The church at Marietta is in better condition than ever before. The service was conducted by Brother and Sister Chastaine. They are wonderful workers for the Lord. They are going to begin a young people's meeting at the Church of God at Marietta Thursday night. We invite the young folks to join in and help us.—J. W. Webb, S. S. Supt.

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Obituaries

HERNDAN

On March 11, 1931 the death angel visited the Herndan family and claimed for its victim their father, Mr. Allie Herndan, age fifty-six years. He was a kind and loving father and was loved by all who knew him. Funeral services were conducted at Fawn Creek Baptist Church by Henry Tomlinson and Byrd Richard Tomlinson of Talking Rock, and Richard of Marble Hill, Ga. Mr. Herndan leaves to mourn his death a wife and eleven children. — Charlie Sullivan, Talking Rock, Ga.

WATSON

Daisy, beloved wife of Brother G. R. Watson, silently departed this life Saturday evening, March 28, 1931, while loving hands ministered unto her. Sister Watson had been a patient sufferer for many years. She seemed to be completely yielded to the will of God. She leaves a devoted husband, two sons, a baby girl, other relatives and a host of friends who will miss her so much. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother T. S. Payne of Atlanta, Ga., at the Church of God in Dahlonega, Ga. where she and her companion received the wonderful experience that enables them to say, "O grave, where is thy victory, O death, where is thy sting." Amid a bowery of flowers she was laid away to await the sound of the trumpet that will call forth the dead in Christ. — One who loved her and expects by the help and grace of the God she served to meet her over there, Mattie Broome.

DUPREY

On March 15, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Duprey and claimed for its victim little Charles Eddie Duprey, born Sept. 5, 1930, being six months and ten days old. He was sick about one week with diphtheria. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, seven brothers, one little sister, grandfather, grandmother, several aunts and uncles. Mother and father, weep not, for we know little Charles is in heaven. The funeral and burial were conducted at Oliver Springs cemetery by Brothers Frank and Willie Skages. — One who loved him dearly, his aunt, Essie Lee Roberts, Desdemona, Tex.

BROWN

On March 2, 1931 Brother Frank Brown, age seventy-three, was called from this earth to his eternal home. We feel surely he is at rest with the Lord for he lived a Christian life for many years. We heard him testify to the blessings of the Lord the last time he was at church which was only a few days before his death. His presence and testimonies will be missed at the church. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, one son, three grandchildren, other relatives and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Brother E. M. Ellis, assisted by Brother Zeno C. Tharp. — A friend, Mrs. E. L. Cain, Chattanooga, Tenn.

STONE

On March 16, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Sister Minnie Lee Stone and claimed for its victim her loving companion, Brother Harlo Clayton Stone, age forty-eight years, one month and fourteen days. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, eight children, a mother, four sisters, three brothers, numbers of other relatives and friends. Brother Clayton was saved, sanctified and a member of the Church of God here at Bridgeford. He was appointed as clerk of the Church of God here in 1929 and filled that office until his death. Funeral service was conducted by the writer and Brother W. M. Livingston, assisted by other saints, and his body was laid to rest in the Satilla Graveyard to await the coming of Jesus. — One who loved him dearly, his pastor, John J. Floyd, Rt. 3, Hazlehurst, Ga.

SHACKELFORD

The death angel visited the home of Mr. Sam Pennington, Cawood, Ky., on March 22, 1931 and claimed for its victim our dear aged Sister Ellen Shackelford, age seventy-nine years, eleven months and nineteen days. She was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the Church of God at Cawood, Ky. She was always faithful to attend church and Sunday School and would sing, shout and testify to the love of God. She leaves to mourn her departure two sisters, one son, eight grandchildren and a host of friends. She will be missed at church and in the homes of her friends she liked to visit so well. Our loss is heaven's gain. Funeral services were conducted by Bro. S. A. Wilson, her pastor, and her body was laid in the Smith cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. — B. H. Enix, Wallins Creek, Ky.

MARTIN

On Jan. 21, 1931 J. D. Martin left this world to be with Jesus, at the age of forty-three years, eight months and twenty-three days. He gave his heart to God in the year 1915 in the state of Arkansas. He came into the church here and was an ordained deacon for the past three years. He is missed much in the church here. He served his church well and did all he could to help those needing help in every way. He was sick about six months but very patient thru it all being con-

scious till death. He leaves a wife, three children, two having gone before him. His funeral was conducted by Brother B. H. Enix and the writer. His body was laid away in the Black Joe cemetery to await the resurrection.

There is a great big place in our home sweet home
That no one else can fill;
It is the place where John used to be
But now it's quiet and still;
So we'll strive to live the life he lived,
To be Christlike every day,
So when Jesus calls us home to live
His presence will brighten the way.
— His pastor, G. A. Fore, Harlan, Ky.

SMITH

On March 14, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Frank Smith and claimed their darling little boy, Samuel Smith. He was born Dec. 9, 1924 and was seven years, three months and five days old. Little Samuel suffered much before his departure but he didn't forget to hold up Jesus. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, two sisters, three brothers, aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends. Most of the family are members of the Church of God and faithful workers for the Lord. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Brother Jim Dorman, and his body was laid to rest in the Rogersville cemetery. — One who loves them, a sister in Christ, Mrs. Robert Landress, Avon Park, Fla.

BARNES

Brother S. K. Barnes departed this life Feb. 17, 1931. He was saved and sanctified and our Sunday School superintendent. He trusted the dear Lord to the end. We want to meet Brother Barnes in the happy beyond. — G. W. Ragin, clerk, Rives, Tenn.

BROWNING

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Bill Browning and claimed as its victim their darling baby girl. She was born dead as God thought it best not to let her stay in this old sinful world. If we live faithful we will meet her some sweet day on that golden shore where we will never part any more. She leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, one brother, grandparents, and other relatives. She was laid to rest in the Pecan Gap cemetery to await Jesus' soon coming. One who loved her, her aunt, Mrs. Daisy Mantooth, 1609 Caddo St., Commerce, Tex.

TURNER

Mrs. Avia Taylor Turner was born May 26, 1891 and died March 24, 1931, age thirty-nine years, nine months, and twenty-eight days. She was married to Richard Turner July 22, 1909. To this union were born two children, Brown and Henry. She was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and belonged to the Church of God. She was a sweet wife, loving mother, sister and friend. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, two sons, daughter-in-law, one grandchild, sister, two brothers, stepmother, half sister, and other relatives and friends. Her funeral was conducted by Brother Richard of McMinnville and her body was laid away in the Blues Hill cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. — A friend, Ollie L. Jones, Smithville, Tenn.

TADLOCK

On Friday night, March 20, 1931, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tadlock of Lando and claimed as his victim their daughter, Eula, age thirteen. She was sick only a short time with pneumonia. We know our loss is heaven's gain. She leaves to mourn her departure a father, stepmother, three brothers, two sisters, two half brothers, one step-sister, other relatives and a host of friends. Interment was made in Monroe, N. C. — A friend, Nettie Burnside, Richburg, S. C.

One week has passed, dear Eula, since you were called away.
However we remember the sad and weary day;
We do not know the pain you bore, we did not see you die,
We only know you passed away and never said good-bye.

REYNOLDS

On March 24, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Henry Reynolds and claimed for its victim their dear baby daughter, Hazel Ramona, age one year, five months and twenty-five days. She leaves to mourn her departure a father, mother, four brothers, four sisters, other relatives and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by the writer and her little body laid to rest in the Wilcox cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Dear father and mother, with eyes wet with tears,
Won't you meet little Hazel in a few short years?
I am with Jesus to welcome you home,
Where there is no sorrow nor heart-aches to moan.

Dear brothers and sisters, who have loved me so sweet,
Won't you some day in Heaven little Hazel meet?

Please give your heart to Jesus and for Heaven prepare,
For Hazel and little sister are waiting for you there.
— A. J. Cox, Wilcox, W. Va.

PERRY

Mrs. M.M. Perry lived to be nearly seventy-nine years old. She would have been seventy-nine this coming May. She died March 8, 1931. About thirty-one years ago she became a child of God and received the Holy Ghost. She leaves to mourn her departure four sons, one daughter, several grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and a host of friends. She was laid to rest in the Spring Hill cemetery in Walker County, Ala. The pastor of Carbon Hill church conducted the funeral. — Her daughter, S. M. Norris, Rt. 1, Winfield, Ala.

DAY

On March 13, 1931 the death angel visited the home of W. T. Day and claimed for its victim his darling wife, age thirty-eight years. She has lived a Christian life for thirteen years. She was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. She always wore a smile and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, four boys, five girls, four brothers, two sisters, other relatives and friends. We weep not as those who have no hope for we feel that our loss is heaven's gain. She was laid to rest at the Crech cemetery not far from her home. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Sam Holcomb and Brother Huston of Cumberland, Ky. — One who loved her, and a lover of the family, a sister in Christ, (Miss) Callie Holcomb, Box 112, Cumberland, Ky.

MEANS MUCH TO LIVE FOR JESUS

UNICOI, Tenn.—Tonight finds me saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I am on my way to heaven where I shall be with Jesus forever.

We have just closed a revival with good success. We had the devil to fight but we got the victory. Brother John Sealf was in charge. He surely did give out great messages with the power of the Holy Ghost. Four were saved, four sanctified, and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. The saints were all revived and are on fire for God. Three are to be baptized in water. We have a good Sunday School here and good meeting. We are looking for better as soon as we can get a church built. We have a deed to the church lot providing we build in twelve months. We desire the prayers of all God's children that we may get a church built here. There are only a few members but we stand for all of God's Word.

Please pray for my family and me. I have four children. Wife and I have the Holy Ghost. We are bringing up our children in the way they should go. We are praising God for this wonderful salvation that keeps us free from sin and takes all pride away and keeps us humble and watching for Jesus. If we will keep humble and true to His blessed Word and true to His church, we will go to that great supper. Dear people, it means something to live for God and His church. It means more than to live a good life on Sunday and just any way Monday. It means to live it all the time. God says, If the righteous are scarcely

GOD BLESSED

PLAZA, N. Dak.—This beautiful Sabbath afternoon my heart goes out to God for His rich and abundant blessings He has bestowed upon us. A revival was started here in Plaza Jan. 20 and closed Feb. 18. Brother Walker, our State Overseer, was in charge. God wonderfully blessed us and somewhere in the neighborhood of twenty-five souls wept their way to Calvary. One received the Holy Ghost. We have a large Church of God tabernacle in this place but it was not too large for the crowds that came. A very good interest was shown and it seemed deep conviction fell upon the people as the messages went forth. The whole town was stirred and we believe, altho' the revival is over, that God has more in store for us. Brother Charlie Bowen, Brother Marvin Mortenson, and some other folks from Lemmon, S. Dak. were with us a few evenings. We enjoyed their presence and help. Our pastor, Brother Robert Seyda, was also with us every night except Wednesday evenings. He is faithful in laboring among the saints at Ryder and Plaza, N. Dak. Surely God will crown his efforts with success. All you readers please pray for the work in North Dakota. Pray for me.—A sister in Christ, Vernie Forless, clerk.

saved where will the ungodly stand. It will pay us to watch and pray and put on the whole armor of God and be ready.—D. H. Linville, clerk and treas.

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I Rejoice in the Strength Of The Lord

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. Jesus is a wonderful doctor. He healed me. I never had a doctor like Him. I was so sick I did not know I was in the world but the Lord sent His missionaries to me. Before they came I saw the light of Jesus shine before them and oh how my soul loved Him. I thank God because He healed me of terrible rheumatism. I could not walk. After Brother and Sister Byrd prayed for me I was immediately healed. I rejoice in the strength of the Lord. He is my healer, my Savior, and my coming King.—Yours in the cause for Him, Mrs. Everlena Hearnese.

The Lord Lifted Up

Obedient the Lord, I am glad to say this morning finds me saved, sanctified, and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost and I have a mind to go all the way with the Savior. I came to Cleveland, Tenn. again Feb. 27 and began to lift up the Lord to lost souls. God brought light to His Word. Three have been saved, four sanctified, and five filled with the Holy Ghost and others are looking this way. Three followed the Lord in water baptism. We set the church in order with nine members. I ask all who read this to please pray for the church (colored work) here in Cleveland, Tenn.—Your humble servant in Christ, E. D. Johnson, Kildav, Ky.

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Will Convene At
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THE FLORIDA STATE CAMP MEETING

Will Convene At
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THE BAHAMA CONVENTION

Will Convene At
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION

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Somerset, Pa., in "Englewood Park" June 24-28

N. and S. DAKOTA STATE ASSEMBLY

Will Convene At
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MARYLAND STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At
CAMBRIDGE, MD., APRIL 24-26

NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At
Kannapolis, N. C. April 30th to May 3rd.

TENNESSEE STATE ASSEMBLY

Will Convene At
E. Chattanooga, Tenn., July 3-5.

COLORED WORK CONVENTION

Will Convene At
Jacksonville, Fla., in Masonic Temple, April 13-19

KENTUCKY STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At
Ravenna, Ky., June 4-7.

ALABAMA STATE CAMP MEETING

Will Convene At
Alabama City, Ala., July 15-26.

ALABAMA STATE ASSEMBLY

Will Convene At
Dora, Ala., May 29-31.

CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At
Baldwin Park, Calif., May 8-10

ARIZONA STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At
Globe, Ariz., May 1-3

rules, and ways of putting forth the truth so that a man though a fool cannot err therein. I can truly say that the Church of God is holy for she is the body of the risen, glorified Jesus. We must be sanctified in all our ways for the ground whereon we stand is holy. I find my pathway very hard, the enemy makes many attacks, but thru my Savior I come thru. Prayer is a good weapon for him, but when not used, oh how we fail!

I am sending this hoping it will get into the hands of a dear brother or sister who can pray the fervent prayer of the righteous for me so that I can receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, for I do not want to be left out, or be found wanting at my Lord's return.—I am your humble sister in Jesus, (Miss) Sarah Scully, Jamaica, B. W. I.

A LETTER FROM JAMAICA
Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.—Mark 16:15.

When I returned home last week from the mountain work I took up the Church of God Evangel and glancing over its pages I read the pitiful story of Africa in the Mission Department. When I came to these words, "They are still praying and looking for a white man to come to them and tell them more about Jesus," my eyes flooded with tears, something began to get hold of me and I could not be still. I rose to my feet and began to pace the floor back and forth asking myself the question o'er and o'er, "Can I go? Can I go? Can I go?" And since that time I have been asking God the question, "Can I go? Can I go? Can I go?" And now I am only waiting to hear Him say, "You can go to Africa some future day."

Too old, too old, someone'll surely say,
To meet the hardships in Africa's
pathway,
But only a willingness and all will be well
To rescue the heathen from a burning
hell.

Then why should I falter or shrink
at His command
When He speaks of the heathen on the
faraway strand?
No ties in the homeland, no father's
burial before I go
To the world with the gospel that the
heathen may know.

Jesus came from heaven to Mount Calvary's dark brow,
And suffered for the heathen that He
might save them now;
Then why should we not tell them of
His great love,
Who died to redeem them to live with
Him above.

I am not too old now my brother, to
do what I can,
To spread this gospel in some dark,
heathen land;
Neither withhold I my efforts, as
some of you know,
And should He bid me go to Africa, I
surely will go.

I have three scores in the passed and
many hairs grey,
But many thoughts of the heathen in
the lands far away;
So let us not neglect our duty because
we are old,
And lose our home with Jesus in the
city of gold.—Z. R. Thomas, over-
seer of Jamaica.

Dear saints, greetings in Jesus' holy name. I am indeed glad to report that I am a child of God. Jesus is my personal Savior, and best of all, I am added to the dear old Church of God. I have not much of this world's goods but I came into a house of luxury when I was taken into the house of God which is the pillar and ground of the truth. I love her teachings, her